(a) whether any action has been taken for the opening of a short road to connect the Poyya—Mala road with the Puthenvelikkara road;

(b) what is the distance of the road to be connected?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(a) The work has been postponed in view of the heavy out-lay and there being no immediate necessity.

(b) One mile.

Kaicheri—Kuruvancheri road.

148. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether they have received the land-plan for widening and improving the abovesaid road as undertaken by the Department of Public Works during the last budget session? (Vide Rep. 3rd series Vol. 3, part 8, P. 579).

(2) if received, what action has been taken on it?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(1) No.

(2) The question does not arise in view of the above answer.

Widening of the Chalakkudi road in the Ollur bazaar.

149. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state what steps, if any, they have taken to widen and improve the hopelessly narrow and bad condition of the Chalakkudi road in the Ollur bazaar after the last budget session?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The encroachments proper have already been got removed and action has been taken to get the objectionable leases at the site cancelled.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Sir, when was the encroachment got removed?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Some of the encroachments were removed last year.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—What action has been taken to get the objectionable leases cancelled?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The matter is under correspondence.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Do the Government mean to say that they have not taken any action?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—It is under correspondence between the Chief Engineer and the Diwan Peishkar.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—When this correspondence began?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Orders were passed on the question about a week or 5 days back.

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